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'azure,' and (3) with the value of the unaccented vowel in 'begin,' 'fishes,' 'senate,' etc.

I wish now to state briefly the outcome of my investigations with regard to the suffix 'ful,' which is pronounced in two ways, *fl* (with syllabic *l*) and *ful*. The examples selected were 'awful,' 'beautiful,' 'cheerfully'; in the first and third, the 'ful' immediately follows the stressed syllable; in the second, it is separated from the accent by an atonic syllable, and hence may receive a weak secondary stress; in the third, it is followed by the adverbial ending 'ly,' which, apparently, tends in many cases to preserve or restore the *u*.

About 135 correspondents gave me, as well as possible, their "unstudied" pronunciation. In 'awful,' 35 per cent. use *ful* and 65 per cent. *fl*; in the other two words, 45 per cent. say *ful* and 55 per cent. *fl*. Eastern Massachusetts is about evenly divided on all three examples; the rest of eastern New England is very strongly in favor of *ful*; western New England manifests no marked preference. New York City is almost unanimous for *fl* throughout; the rest of New York State inclines slightly toward the same pronunciation. Ohio shows no instance of *ful*; most of the western states, however, give a large majority to *ful* in 'cheerfully,' and Illinois and Wisconsin prefer it in 'beautiful' as well. The South is nearly unanimous for *fl* in 'awful,' and has a decided preference for it in the other words; but Virginia favors *ful* in 'beautiful' and 'cheerfully.'

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ROMANISCHE JAHRESBERICHT.

TO THE EDITORS OF MOD. LANG. NOTES:

SIRS:—It will doubtless interest the readers of the MOD. LANG. NOTES to learn that the *Romanische Jahresbericht*, edited by Profs. Vollmöller and Otto, the first number of which appeared in the fall of 1892, since when no further numbers have appeared,—is to be continued. A number of the *Hefte* or *Jahrgänge* are now ready, and will follow each other in rapid succession. Concerning the law suit, which was the cause of the temporary discontinuance of the *Jahresbericht*, and which has just been decided in favor of Prof. Vollmöller, the reader is referred to the *Literaturblatt für Germ. ü. Rom. Philologie* for August and Decbr. 1893, and the *Endgiltige Berichtigung* of Prof. Vollmöller, in the *Roman. Forschungen*, Vol. vii. To those who have received the first number of the *Jahresbericht*, the news of its continuance will certainly be welcome. The title of the journal: *Kritischer Jahresbericht über die Fortschritte der Romanischen Philologie*, explains its object, while the names of the editors,—Karl Vollmöller and Richard Otto,—together with G. Baist, C. Salvioni, W. Scheffler and E. Seelmann,—sufficiently indicate the high character of its contents. It is a journal which cannot be too highly recommended to all who wish to keep informed of the progress in the field of Romance studies.

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BRIEF MENTION.

The following subjects have been announced by the *Philologisk-historiske Samfund* of Copenhagen for their annual prize contest. The first two are open to all members of the society, the others are limited to student members. The latter papers should be handed in on or before July 1, 1894; the former six months later.

a) Heelaarsopgaver:

1) Den danske Grammatiks Behandling i det 17de Aarhundrede.

2) Charakteristik af Realismen i den alexandrinske Poesi, væsentlig paa Grundlag af de opbevarede Digterværker.

b) Halvaarsopgaver:

3) En kritisk Redegjørelse for Tankegangen (Dispositionen) i Platons Gorgias.

4) Oversættelse og kritisk-exegetisk Commentar til Varro, De lingua latina V, §1–40 M.

5) Oversættelse af Sigrdrîfumál, ledsaget af en sproglig Commentar samt en kritisk Undersøgelse af den Form, hvori Digtet er overleveret.

6 Chanson de Roland Str. lvii–lxxxiii (V. 703–1016) oversættes og commenteres.